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Dear Senator McCain,

I have been listening to public radio/ and Pacifica radio for fifteen years. I need to have this broadcasting available to me because I feel the news on the other channels does not tell enough about real stories and not just the sensational ones. The broadcasting quality is so low because of the quality standards that are not set in commercial radio. Keep our radio free!!!

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As you know, the FCC has reviewed the rules for media ownership. The FCC allowed an adjustment of the rules to permit big corporations to dominate ownership of media in a particular city or town. A corporation may be from out of state. In our isolated state, it is unlikely that they will be a members of the community but will be allowed to own the local newspaper, several TV and radio stations and the cable TV system. They will be able to ignore local issues and concerns. They can also edit and suppress national news that is of primary importance to all thinking and voting Americans. Media ownership would be concentrated among fewer and fewer companies and the public's ability to have open, informed discussion with a wide variety of viewpoints would be compromised. And so our democracy will be compromised.

This reduced competition between ever fewer owners of networks, stations and newspapers nationwide will also likely result in higher costs for businesses that advertise in local media, and, of course those costs likely would be passed onto consumers.

The FCC voted to change the rules on June 2. The public comments submitted to the FCC by individuals were overwhelmingly opposed to these rule changes. Americans understand that the public interest is not being served by deregulation that reduces competition. Unfortunately, these comments ignored in favor of the desires of large corporations.

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